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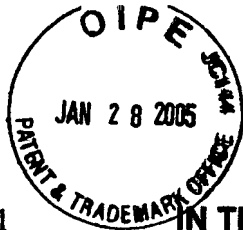
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27 **Election of Species**

28 The inventors elect to proceed with the examination on the merits of the invention  
29 described by figures 18, 19, 20, 21, and 31, Other figures may be deemed applicable  
30 as the examination proceeds.

31 **AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATIONS**

32 None

33 **General Remarks** on amendments to the specifications.

34 Please note that the first Inventor is Scot A. Starheim, not "Starttheim"

35 This error is on the pre-grant publication as well as subsequent communication from  
36 the Office.

37 **AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS**

38 Please cancel claims numbers 20 – 27, Inclusive,

39 **REMARKS SECTION**

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